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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

### Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Previously Submitted:

- ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on March 12, 2007  
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

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- ☐ Amendment/Reply  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
☒ Other: Request for Extension of Time (1 Month)

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